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SUBJECT: MORE ON REPLY TO SHAFK LETTERS TO CHJUSMAGG

REFS: (A) ATHENS 4269; (B) USCINCEUR 051411Z JUL 74;
(C) ATHENS 4209; (D) ATHENS 4126; (E) STATE 146497;
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1. MODIFICATION SUGGESTED IN REF B TO ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPH PROPOSED REF C, WHILE PERHAPS ACCURATE CHARACTERIZATION OF VALUATION OF LS&E ITEMS, WOULD NOT CONVEY SENSE INTENDED. THEREFORE, WE WOULD PROPOSE IN LIEU OF EUCOM MODIFICATION TO REWRITE PENULTIMATE SENTENCE OF FIRST ADDITIONAL PARAGRAPH PROPOSED REF C AS FOLLOWS: "IN VIEW OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THIS STATUTORY MINIMUM VALUATION, AND OF THE LEGISLATIVE AND PRACTICAL LIMITATIONS ON WHAT MIGHT BE MADE AVAILABLE, IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO PROVIDE MILITARY EQUIPMENT AT 'SYMBOLIC' OR 'NOMINAL' PRICES TO MEET THE HIGHER PRIORITY REQUIREMENTS OF THE HELLENIC ARMED FORCES."

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2. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE HAD IN MIND RATHER AMBIGUOUS LANGUAGE OF CINCHEL FOR 13 FEB 74 LETTER (REF F), WHICH, IN PARA 2, SUGGESTS THAT NEW OR USED EQUIPMENT (IMPLICITLY BEYOND THAT WHICH PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED) BE MADE AVAILABLE AT "NOMINAL" PRICES. SIMILAR LANGUAGE WAS USED IN 12 MAR 74 FONOFF AIDE MEMOIRE. "LEGISLATIVE AND PRACTICAL LIMITATIONS" REFERS TO SEC. 644(G) OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT, WHICH WE ASSUME TO BE LEGAL BAR (ALL OTHER CONSIDERATIONS ASIDE) TO USG ABILITY TO MEET THIS SUGGESTION.

3. IN ORDER TO REPLY IN TIMELY AND UNAMBIGUOUS FASHION TO LATEST GOG COMMUNICATION (REFS A AND E) WITHOUT HOLDING UP FURTHER THE LETTER RESPONSE DISCUSSED IN REFS C, G AND PARAS ONE AND TWO ABOVE, WE URGE THAT LETTER BE AUTHORIZED SOONEST AND THAT SEPARATE COMMUNICATION BE PROVIDED IN RESPONSE TO LATEST GOG COMMUNICATION. OUR SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING LATTER WILL FOLLOW IN SEPTEL. BROWN

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